

THE GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR QUALITY CARE IN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

2009 Nomination Form

Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals
Health Facilities Division
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Each year, thousands of Iowans receive compassionate care in nursing facilities, residential care facilities, and intermediate care facilities serving persons with mental illness or the mentally retarded. Too often, these facilities, their staff, and the quality services they provide go unnoticed by the general public. The **GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR QUALITY CARE** was designed to publicly recognize those facilities that demonstrate the highest quality of care and commitment to their residents.

We are fortunate in our state in that the overwhelming majority of our long-term care facilities provide outstanding care for our parents and grandparents, children, spouses, relatives and friends. Many facilities, too, have spearheaded new and innovative approaches to care for their residents. These facilities deserve our recognition and praise.

If you know of a licensed long-term care facility in Iowa that is excelling in providing quality care to its residents, please take this opportunity to nominate that facility for the **GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR QUALITY CARE**.

Nomination Rules

- Nominations are open to all Iowa-licensed nursing facilities, residential care facilities, and intermediate care facilities for persons with mental illness or the mentally retarded.
- A resident, family member of a resident, or member of a resident advocacy committee may nominate a facility for the award. Facilities may not nominate themselves.
- All nominations will be evaluated by the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals (DIA) based upon the information provided, as well as the facility's history of regulatory compliance and other legal requirements.
- Representatives from DIA will visit the finalists to determine the winners.
- No more than two winning facilities may be selected from any one of the state's five Congressional Districts.
- Nomination forms may be downloaded from the Department's web site at <http://dia.iowa.gov>.
- The Department must receive nominations by the close of business on March 2, 2009.

Nominee Information

Name of Facility Being Nominated: _____

Facility Street Address: _____

City: _____

Facility Phone Number: _____

Nominator's Relationship to Facility: _____

(For example: resident, family member of resident, resident advocacy committee member, etc.)

Name of Nominator: _____

Nominator's Address: _____

Nominator's Telephone Number: _____

The Governor's Award for Quality Care in Health Care Facilities is sponsored by the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals. The purpose of the Award is "to recognize quality health care services being provided to facility residents by Iowa long-term care facilities, residential care facilities, and intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded or persons with mental illness."

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Please mail or fax the completed nomination form to:
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ATTN: Governor's Award for Quality Care
Fax: (515) 242-5022**

Nomination Application

Please answer the following questions regarding the nominated facility. (Please limit your answer to no more than one page per question. Additional attachments will not be considered.)

1. Why should this health care facility be considered?

2. What unique/special care or service sets this provider apart?

3. What does this facility do to enhance the highest quality of life for its residents?